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AARA Dinner

Delmar Fire District 145 Adams St Ave Delmar, NY 12054

Friday May 9th

Cash Bar 6:00 PM

Buffet Dinner 6:45PM

Buffet Dinner will be held at the **Delmar Firehouse on Adams St**

Parking is in a lot across Nathaniel Blvd. at the First United Methodist Church

Menu—Antipasto, rolls, lasagna, chicken parm, sausage peppers onions, meat balls, baked ziti and desert. Drinks - cash bar

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K2CT Repeater

Talk-in repeater 145.19 (-) MHz pl tone 103.5Hz

AARA Dues

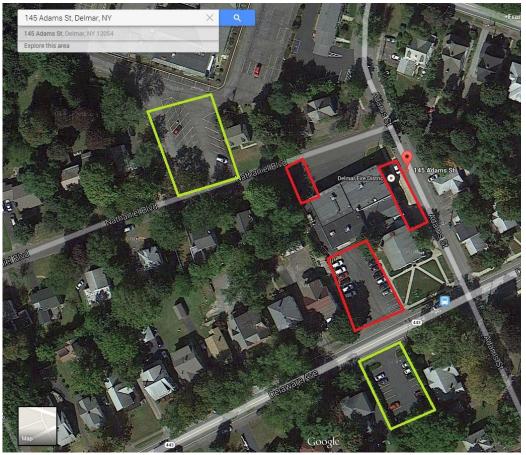
Dues cheerfully accepted, Dues are \$15.

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307 Maple Rd. Slingerlands, NY 12159





from Google Maps
Parking for Delmar Fire District 145 Adams St – **Park in Yellow areas**,
do not park in red areas

Dinner Speaker Guest Speaker Les Kalmus W2LK

"The VK9MT Mellish Reef Expedition" (An adventure story not to be missed)

MAY 8th 6:00PM Delmar Fire District 2nd floor 145 Adams St Ave Delmar, NY 12054

QST Magazines avail.

I've moved and I'm trying to pare down the "stuff".

I'd like to donate my QST collection from

2004, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011

to any interested club member.

Please plan to take all of them!

Thanks and 73

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ATVET <u>Albany Troy Volunteer Examiner Team</u>

If you can HELP OUT on future dates: call Gerry, WA2IWW

Exam Date	Day	Doors Open	Exam Time (Doors will Close)
May 9th, 2015	Sat.	9:20 AM	10:00 AM

Contact ATVET LIAISON: Gerald Murray, WA2 I WW atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

<u>I Love My Park Day</u> **Saturday, May 2, 2015** 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM **Thacher State Park**

From 9 AM - 12:30 PM, Meet at the

Pear Orchard Pavilion & bring garden gloves, tools, water, and a snack!

AMSAT: Amateur Radio Payload Could Share
Space on Geosynchronous Satellite
ARRL Letter April 30, 2015

There is big news on the Amateur Radio satellite front. AMSAT-NA has announced that, if all goes according to plan, an Amateur Radio payload will go into space on a geosynchronous satellite that's planned for launch in 2017. As opposed to the more typical low Earth orbit, a geosynchronous orbit would permit an Earthbound ham at a given point within the satellite's footprint to access the satellite at approximately the same time each day. According to AMSAT Vice President-Operations Drew Glasbrenner, KO4MA, the satellite's potential footprint would extend over the US from the Mid-Pacific to Africa. AMSAT said it has accepted the opportunity to be a "hosted payload" on a spacecraft that Millennium Space Systems (MSS) of El Segundo, California, is under contract to design, launch, and operate for the US government. Past AMSAT Director and former Vice President-Engineering Bob McGwier, N4HY, said the Amateur Radio payload must be delivered for testing and integration by the spring of 2016.

"It is an ambitious schedule, and all involved will have to gain and maintain a serious level of commitment," said McGwier, the Director of Research at Virginia Tech's Hume Center for National Security and Technology. The AMSAT announcement on April 25 followed an April 13 meeting at MSS to discuss the project.

According to AMSAT, the transponder is expected to support a wide range of voice, digital, and experimental advanced communications technologies. A decision is expected soon regarding the specification of the microwave uplink and downlink bands.

The AMSAT Board of Directors has signed on to the project, and AMSAT expects to be involved in developing both the ground station and the RF payload. It will also serve as the Amateur Radio payload operator, once the satellite has been launched. Read more. -- Thanks to AMSAT News Service via Bob McGwier, N4HY, and others

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